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I have worked in the Information Technology field for the last 30 years. I remember operating some of the first 'computer' equipment that IBM manufactured while I served in the U.S. Navy. Beginning in those early years it seems to me that technology is developed, implemented and replaced at an ever faster pace. As in other fields, when one Company exerts total or near-total control of a product arena, innovation advances at the pace of the controlling Company. I believe Microsoft nowadays has less motivation for innovation due to their 800 lb gorilla demeanor.

As someone who is in the middle of the IT field I can firmly say that there are other Operating System (OS) softwares that would offer substantial competition to Microsoft if the playing field were even somewhat level. Do not believe for a minute that Microsoft will change their predatory ways. The existing DOJ/Microsoft settlement has the cart (Microsoft) leading the horse(DOJ).

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